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Mr. Fred Gerdeman
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RE: Inspection of the Tony M.
Mine and Exploration Sites
ACT/017/001, ACT/017/016
EXP/017/006
Garfield County, Utah

Dear Mr. Gerdeman:

On behalf of the Division I would like to thank you and Plateau's other personnel for meeting with staff members Wayne Hedberg, Susan Linner and myself on Wednesday, September 28, 1983. Visiting with U. K. Gupta and discussing the hydrologic characteristics of the Tony M. Mine was surely a beneficial and valuable experience. The underground tour of the mine also served to greatly increase our knowledge of the current hydrologic impacts of mining for the area. The organization, extreme preparedness and neatness of the entire operation can't be praised enough. Plateau Resources' cooperation is commendable.

The extremely wet 1982-83 season has produced some excellent revegetation results and the brief tour of the 1979-82 exploration drill sites showed that very promising returns are being realized on your efforts. Review of the revegetation test plots at the minesite continued to update our monitoring assessment. The tour of the newly constructed evaporation pond also added background information regarding the ability of the Brushy Basin clays to act as an approved liner.

In response to your letter of September 27, 1983, and in combination with the discussions with U. K. Gupta, the Division accepts and endorses the plan for the conversion of the three drill holes to water monitoring wells.

Please keep us informed of any other continuing developments with either the exploration or mining of the project area. Your past efforts have been greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

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